

## **HOUSE BILL No. 1194**

DIGEST OF HB 1194 (Updated February 17, 2015 11:06 am - DI 116)

Citations Affected: IC 20-32; noncode.

**Synopsis:** High school diplomas. Provides that, beginning with the annual case review when a student who is a child with a disability is in grade 8, the student's individualized education program must include the type of diploma the student will seek and the courses necessary to obtain the diploma. Provides that, beginning with grade 9, the student's teacher of record must communicate with the student's parent at least one time each reporting period to review the student's progress toward the diploma. Provides that, not later than October 1, 2015, the Core 40 subcommittee of the Indiana career council shall present to the education study committee recommended changes to course requirements for general, Core 40, academic honors, and technical honors diplomas to ensure that each student who seeks a diploma has enough flexibility in the student's schedule to pursue a college or career pathway appropriate for the student's individual goals, knowledge, skills, and abilities. Requires the education study committee to propose legislative changes necessary to carry out the recommended changes.

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2015.

## Clere, Schaibley

January 12, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Education. February 17, 2015, amended, reported — Do Pass.



First Regular Session of the 119th General Assembly (2015)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. IC 20-32-4-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3	1, 2015]: Sec. 11. (a) This section applies to a student who is a child
4	with a disability (as defined in IC 20-35-1-2).
5	(b) During the annual case review (as defined in IC 20-35-7-1)
6	held when the student is in grade 8, the case conference committee
7	(as defined in IC 20-35-7-2) shall, as a part of the annual case
8	review, discuss with the student's parent and the student, if
9	appropriate:
10	(1) the types of diplomas available for students to receive in
11	the state of Indiana;
12	(2) the course requirements for each type of diploma,
13	including the availability of alternative course requirements
14	for earning a general diploma; and
15	(3) employment and career options for the student and the



type of academic, technical, and vocational preparation necessary to achieve the employment or career.

The student's individualized education program must include the type of diploma the student will seek and courses that allow the student to progress toward the diploma in a timely manner, including, if appropriate, courses developed under section 6.5 of this chapter.

(c) Beginning in grade 9 and in addition to the annual case review, the student's teacher of record shall communicate at least one (1) time each reporting period with the student's parent concerning the student's progress toward the selected diploma. If the parent requests a meeting with the teacher of record to discuss the student's progress, the teacher must meet with the parent in a timely manner. A meeting under this subsection does not constitute a case conference committee meeting, and a request for a meeting under this subsection does not abrogate a parent's right to call for a meeting of the case conference committee at any time.

SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The definitions used in IC 20 apply throughout this SECTION.

- (b) As used in this SECTION, "committee" refers to the education interim study committee established by IC 2-5-1.3-4.
- (c) Not later than October 1, 2015, the Core 40 subcommittee, which is a subcommittee of the Indiana career council established by IC 22-4.5-9-3, shall present to the committee recommended changes to course requirements for general, Core 40, academic honors, and technical honors diplomas to ensure that each student who seeks a diploma has enough flexibility in the student's schedule to pursue a college or career pathway appropriate for the student's individual goals, knowledge, skills, and abilities. The recommended changes shall take into account different learning styles and abilities and shall provide alternate pathways for a student to earn a diploma when a difference in learning style or ability prevents a student from satisfying requirements in one (1) or more academic areas. Such alternate pathways shall allow a student to offset requirements by demonstrating additional proficiency in other areas or by completing work force training.
- (d) The committee shall propose necessary legislation to carry out the recommendations of the Core 40 subcommittee of the Indiana career council under subsection (c).
  - (e) This SECTION expires January 1, 2017.
- 41 SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1194, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 15.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 37.

Page 3, line 6, delete "school corporation;" and insert "**state of Indiana;**".

Page 3, line 8, delete "an".

Page 3, line 8, delete "curriculum" and insert "course requirements".

Page 3, line 20, delete "semester" and insert "reporting period".

Page 3, after line 27, begin a new paragraph and insert:

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out the recommendations of the Core 40 subcommittee of the Indiana career council under subsection (c).

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Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1194 as introduced.)

**BEHNING** 

Committee Vote: yeas 9, nays 0.

